
LOCAL EXCHANGE AND INTEREXCHANGE SERVICES TARIFF

SECTION 1 – EXPLANATION OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Advance Payment - Part or all of a payment required before the start of service.

Authorized User - A person, firm or corporation which is authorized by the Customer or joint user to be connected to the service of the Customer or joint user.

Circuit – A dedicated telecommunications facility provided by the Company to connect two Points of Interconnection as specified by the Customer in a Service Order Agreement. Circuits come in different types depending on the speed and data rates provisioned over the physical facilities of the Circuit (i.e., DS 1, DS3, OCx, 5 Mbps, 10 Mbps).

Company – US Signal Company, L.L.C., the issuer of this Tariff, or any of its affiliates which may concur in this tariff.

Customer - The person, firm or corporation that orders service from this Tariff and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the Company's regulations.

Hub - A location used to aggregate multiple services and to interconnect traffic. Transport of information from a Hub to Remotes and vice versa occurs via Links. Transport is provided by line of sight technology which includes point to multipoint and point to point wireless technology.

Individual Case Basis (ICB) - A service arrangement in which the regulations, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the Customer's situation.

Local Area Network ("LAN") – A short distance data communications network.

Non-Recurring Charges - The one-time initial charges for services or facilities, including but not limited to charges for construction, installation or special fees for which the Customer becomes liable at the time the Service Order Agreement is executed or changed.

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Point of Interconnection - The point at which the Company's responsibility to provide equipment and service ends and the Customer's responsibility for the information begins, as specified in a Service Order Agreement.

Recurring Charges - The monthly charges to the Customer for services, facilities and equipment which continue for the agreed upon duration of the service.

Remote - An end point location which may serve as the termination point for various Circuit types. Transport of information from a Remote to a Hub and vice versa occurs via Links. Transport is provided by line of sight technology which includes point to multipoint or point to point wireless technology. If a site is used as an intermediate location in a chain of point to point services, both ends are defined as a Remote.

Service Order Agreement - The written request for communications services executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company. The signing of a Service Order Agreement by the Customer and acceptance by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this tariff.

Site - A location from which radio transmission and reception equipment produces Links within a specific geographical area. A site may be Hub, Remote or Point of Interconnection.

Station - Denotes the network control signaling unit and any other equipment provided at the Customer's premises which enables a customer to establish communications connections and to effect communications through such connections.

Synchronous Optical Network ("SONET") – An optical interface standard that allows interworking of transmission products.

United States - The 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia, Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, as well as the off-shore areas outside the boundaries of the coastal states of the 48 contiguous states to the extent that such areas appertain to and are subject to the jurisdiction and control of the United States.